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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR BALTIMORE CITY

STATE OF MARYLAND

Plaintiff

-vs-

Indictment Nos:

ALFRED CHESTNUT,  
RANSOM L. WATKINS, and  
ANDREW L. STEWART, JR.

18335414, 18335415,  
18335416, 18335417,  
18335418, 18335419

Defendants

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BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

MAY 3, 1984

BEFORE:

HONORABLE ROBERT M. BELL, JUDGE

APPEARANCES:

JONATHAN SHOUP, Assistant State's Attorney  
On behalf of the State

BARRY DIAMOND, ESQUIRE  
On behalf of Defendant Alfred Chestnut

RICHARD T. CREMIN, ESQUIRE  
On behalf of Defendant Ransom L. Watkins

STEPHEN A. SUSER, ESQUIRE  
On behalf of Defendant Andrew L. Stewart, Jr.

Reported by:  
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Official Court Reporter  
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Baltimore, MD 21202



T A B L E       O F       C O N T E N T SSTATE'S WITNESSES       DIRECT       CROSS       CROSS       CROSS       RECROSS

RONALD BISHOP       23       126       149       155       165

RECROSS       RECROSS

168       171

DIRECT

LORETTA M. SMITH       106

DEFENDANTS' WITNESSES       DIRECT       CROSS       CROSS

MARY ANN BERLIN       102       104       105



1 done. This is not a question of us holding something  
2 back. They have her address.

3 THE COURT: I am not suggesting any of that.

4 She is a witness. If she is required to  
5 be here, she has to be here and she can say anything she  
6 wants with regard to speaking to them or not.

7 Are we ready to go?

8 MR. SHOUP: Yes.

9 THE COURT: Next witness, gentlemen.

10 MR. SUSER: Ron Bishop.

11 MR. SHOUP: Judge, I told the Police  
12 Department to have them both here.

13 THE COURT: Fine.

14 THE CLERK: Paise your right hand, please.

15 WHEREUPON --

16 RONALD BISHOP,  
17 after having first been duly sworn to tell the truth,  
18 the whole truth and nothing but the truth, was examined and  
19 testified as follows:

20 THE CLERK: You may be seated.

21 State your name and home address for the  
22 record.

23 THE WITNESS: Ronald Bishop, 568 West  
24 Presstman Street.

25 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. SUSER:



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2 A Yes.

3 Q The second time you were shown photographs,  
4 did you testify it was on a Monday, do you remember that?

5 A Yes.

6 Q You also stated for Mr. Suser that you were  
7 shown a group of black and white photographs as well as  
8 color photographs; do you remember that?

9 A No.

10 Q Do you remember saying some of the  
11 photographs you were shown -- listen to my question --  
12 on these different occasions, some were black and white,  
13 some were color?

14 A In my testimony?

15 Q Earlier.

16 A Yes.

17 Q Do you remember a group of photographs  
18 Detective Kincaid showed you at your home on Monday that  
19 were black and white? Do you remember that, sir?

20 A No.

21 Q Do you remember there is a different group of  
22 photographs than these? Do you remember that?

23 A Can you repeat that?

24 Q Do you remember that there was a different  
25 group of photographs that were shown to you on Monday  
besides these. Do you remember that, sir?



1 A Yes.

2 Q You do.

3 Were those black and white or color?

4 A I don't remember.

5 Q Now, when you looked at that second group of  
6 photographs, did you pick out any photographs out of that  
7 second group?

8 A No.

9 Q Listen to my question carefully: When you  
10 were at your home on Monday, do you remember the name of  
11 Michael Willis? Does that refresh your recollection?

12 A Yes.

13 Q Did you pick out a photograph of Michael  
14 Willis on Monday from a group of photographs given to you  
15 by Detective Kincaid? Do you remember doing that?

16 A Yes.

17 Q What did the detective, Detective Kincaid,  
18 say to you before he handed you those photographs?

19 A He asked me did he have anything to do with  
20 it.

21 Q Did he have anything to do with it?

22 A Yes.

23 Q Did he hand you a group of photographs -- he  
24 didn't just hand you Michael Willis' photograph, did he?

25 A No.



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Q He handed you a group?

A Yes.

Q Did he ask you for you to pick out Michael Willis?

A No.

Q Did you pick out Michael Willis' photograph as someone you recognized?

A Yes.

Q After you picked out the photograph, did Detective Kincaid ask you any questions concerning Michael Willis?

A Yes.

Q Did he ask you whether he had anything to do with the murder?

A Yes.

Q What did you say?

A No.

Q Was that a different group of photographs than these, do you remember?

A I don't remember.

Q Do you remember whether they were black and white or color?

A No.

Q Now, on November 23rd you were shown these photographs again; isn't that what you testified to; is that